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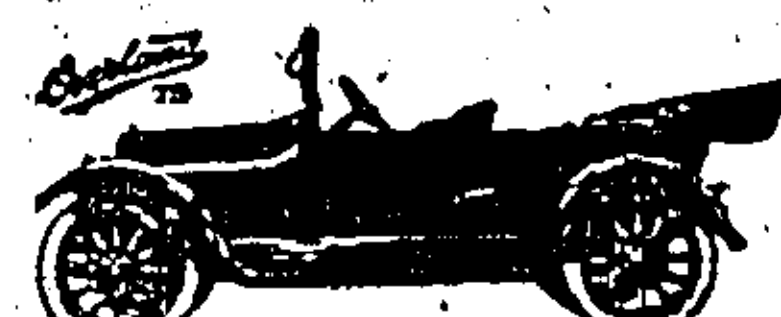
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## THE WAR.

### LATEST TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter's Service to the China Mail.)

#### A RUSSIAN SUCCESS.

600 PRISONERS TAKEN.

LONDON, Jan. 4.  
A Russian official report, received  
by wireless, says:  
We attacked the heights on the  
Rumanian front southward of Mount  
Botoch, taking 600 prisoners, 3  
cannon and 16 machine-guns.

LATER.  
A Russian official report, received  
by wireless, states:  
After an artillery bombardment  
we attacked the Botoch heights and  
broke through a stubborn resistance.  
We repulsed six persistent attacks  
in the Tatroch Valley and surprised  
and annihilated a Bulgarian field  
post.

In Dobrudja, attacks at Matchin  
pressed back our detachments which  
commenced to withdraw towards  
Braila.

#### SNOW IN CAUCASUS.

There has been a severe snow-  
storm over the whole of the Caucasus  
front. The snow is deeper than a  
man's height.

#### A GERMAN REPORT.

A German official report, received  
by wireless, states:  
General Mackensen has conquered  
the sector north-west of Focani and  
repulsed a strong Russian cavalry  
force westward of the mouth of the  
Buzaul.

Germans and Bulgars stormed and  
captured the stubbornly defended  
villages of Macin and Jijila and took  
a thousand prisoners. This clears  
Dobrudja, except a narrow strip in  
the direction of Galatz, where the  
Russian rearwards are holding the  
ground.

#### ITALIAN FRONT.

DESTRUCTION OF ENEMY'S  
DEFENCES.

LONDON, Jan. 4.  
An Italian official communiqué reports  
that reciprocal artillery activity in Carso  
resulted in the destruction of enemy  
defences south-west of Castagnavizza.

#### ISSUE OF BRITISH TREASURY BILLS SUSPENDED.

LONDON, Jan. 4.  
The Bank of England announces  
that the issue of Treasury Bills is  
suspended.

#### INDIAN REPRESENTATION AT THE IMPERIAL CONFERENCE.

LONDON, Jan. 4.  
The Indianman has collected the  
opinions of several distinguished  
Anglo-Indians on the subject of the  
representation of India at the Im-  
perial Conference.  
Sir John Hewitt hopes that one  
of the advisers from India may be  
an Indian of broad, statesmanlike  
imperial ideas.

Sir William Birdwood says he  
altogether supports the representa-  
tion of India by a non-official Indian  
like the Maharaja Sir Pratap Singh,  
as well as by an official European or  
Indian member.  
Colonel Yate, M.P., hopes that  
one official representative will be  
specially selected as the personal  
representative of the Indian soldiers  
who have fought so well and the  
Civilians and Peoples who by contribu-  
tions have helped as well as main-  
tain the Imperial cause.

#### BRITISH TRANSPORT SUNK.

150 MISSING.

LONDON, Jan. 4.  
The Admiralty transport *Terris* was  
sunk by submarine in bad weather in  
the Mediterranean of Monday.  
Four military officers and 146 men  
are missing.  
The ship's casualties are not yet  
known. It is hoped that the only  
officers missing are the Surgeon and  
Chief Engineer.

#### "THE LADY IN THE CASE."

FURTHER DETAILS.

MRS. CORNWALLIS WEST AND  
THE WAR OFFICE.

LONDON, Jan. 3.

The report of the Military Court  
held on December 29th, gives details of  
the case of 2nd-Lieut. Patrick Barrett  
of the Welsh Fusiliers. It says that  
when Barrett was recommended for a  
commission his claims were supported by  
Major-General Sir John Stevens Cowans  
and Mrs. Cornwallis West. The last-  
named took a more than ordinary  
interest in Barrett, who failed to  
respond. Eventually he wrote Mrs.  
Cornwallis West a letter of re-  
monstrance, which the latter sent to his  
Commander, as a result of which Barrett  
was censured and transferred to another  
Battalion.

The report characterises Mrs. Corn-  
wallis West's conduct as "highly  
discreditable, both in her behaviour  
towards Barrett before his letter and  
her vindictive attempts to injure him  
afterwards, and her untruthful evidence  
before the Court."

Mrs. Cornwallis West's attempt to  
influence the War Office is also  
mentioned in the case of Brigadier Owen  
Thomas.

LATER.  
The Committee in their Report  
regret that Mrs. West holds positions  
of some importance in the various public  
war work Associations in Denbighshire,  
and they express the opinion that the  
correspondence of Major-General  
Cowans and Mrs. West indicates on the  
part of Major-General Cowans not  
merely indiscretion but a departure  
from official propriety.

The Report states that Major-General  
Cowans disclosed official information to  
Mrs. West and implicated the War  
Office which was then ignorant of Mrs.  
West's complaints. It mentions that  
Major-General Cowans told Mrs. West  
that he would fight for her if he had  
time.

[There are two ladies bearing the  
name of Mrs. Cornwallis West—one the  
wife of Mr. William Cornwallis  
West, Lord Lieutenant of Denbighshire  
since 1872 and Hon. Colonel of the 4th  
East. Royal Welsh Fusiliers; the other  
is Lady Randolph Churchill who married  
Mr. George Cornwallis West in 1900.  
The reference to Denbighshire in the  
correspondence points to Mrs.  
William Cornwallis West being the lady  
referred to.—Ed.]

#### A GERMAN REPORT DENIED.

LONDON, Jan. 4.  
The French Admiralty denies abso-  
lutely a German wireless announce-  
ment of the torpedoing of the  
battleship *Veritas*.

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#### THE PEACE TERMS CORRECTION.

A telegram in last night's issue  
stated that Count Andriassy had  
announced that the peace terms of the  
Central Powers had been communicated  
to President Wilson.  
A later telegram corrected this  
message. It should have stated that  
the terms will be communicated to  
President Wilson.













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## THE DIARY.

## MEMOS FOR TO-MORROW.

10.30 a.m.—Auction of Household Furniture at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

2 p.m. Cricket:—H.K. C. Club v. Civil Service at C.S. ground.

4 p.m. Football:—H.K. Football Club v. K.S.L.I.

9 p.m.—Police Reserve Assault at Arms in Theatre Royal.

## General Memoranda.

SUNDAY, Jan. 7:—

2.15 p.m.—Rifle Shooting Match between H.K.Y.C. and H.K. V.R. at Kowloon.

Monday, Jan. 8:—

3 p.m.—Sale of Crown Land at P.W.D.

3.45 p.m.—Full moon.

TUESDAY, Jan. 9:—

10.30—Auction of a Miscellaneous Stock (Singles, Sweaters, Shirts, Socks &c.) at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

WEDNESDAY, Jan. 10:—

11 a.m.—Ellis Kadoorie School's Prize Giving.

THURSDAY, Jan. 11:—

Diocean School Prize Giving.

Noon—Presentation of Prizes by Lady May at Bellios Public School.

FRIDAY, Jan. 12:—

Noon—Auction of R.C. "Kung Ting" at Messrs. Hughes and Hough's.

SATURDAY, Jan. 13:—

Chinese New Year.

General Holiday.

SUNDAY, Jan. 14:—

Burns' Night.

SATURDAY, Jan. 27:—

Rate of exchange for Hongkong Bank Meeting.

## The China Mail.

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, JAN. 5, 1917.

## EXTRA-TERRITORIALITY IN CHINA.

NEARLY a year ago Viscount Grey in a public speech looked forward after the end of the war to such a reconstruction of the world system as would leave the nations "free to live their independent lives, working out their own form of government for themselves and their own national development, whether they be great nations or small States, in full liberty." We observe that a note was taken of this by at least one Chinese advocate of Treaty revision, who is now looking forward hopefully to the post-bellum Conference seriously taking in hand "a thorough revision of the Treaties existing between China and the other States." We do not ourselves anticipate that the Conference which will have the heavy task of formulating a peace settlement will be likely to concern itself with the Treaties relating to extraterritoriality in China.

The particular question which has prompted the idea is one which is exciting much attention in China and Japan at the present time. The Chinese writer who advances the suggestion is Mr. M. T. Z. TRAU, LL.D. (London), Lecturer on International Law at the Tsing Hua College, Peking, and the author of a work, now in the press, on the subject of "The Legal Obligations Arising out of Treaty Relations between China and other States." In an article contributed to the "Peking Gazette" on the subject of the Sino-Japanese dispute at Amoy, Mr. TRAU says the Japanese contention that they have a right to establish a police station in the Chinese City of Amoy, because "many of their national and Formosan subjects are residing there," does good service in directing attention to the imperfections and ambiguities of the treaties, agreements and conventions at present subsisting between China and the Powers. The treaties relating to the first group of treaty ports and to extraterritorial jurisdiction have now been in existence about seventy-three years, and the meaning and intent of these Treaties is by this time very generally understood. It ought not to need a Conference consisting of representatives of half the Powers of the world to decide, for example, such a question as that which has arisen at Amoy. The Japanese contention appears to be that the whole port of Amoy, and not a restricted area only, was thrown open to foreign residence, but Mr. TRAU's contention, which presumably is the Chinese Government's contention, is that Article IV of the Japanese Treaty of Peking 1896 in decisive on the point. This reads: "Japanese subjects may, with their families, employees, and servants, frequent, reside, and carry on trade, industries and manufactures, or pursue any other lawful avocations, in all ports, cities and towns of China which are now or may hereafter be opened to foreign residence and trade."

and within the localities at those places which have already been or may hereafter be set apart for the use and occupation

a foreigners, they are allowed to rent or purchase houses, rent or lease land and to build churches, cemeteries and hospitals, enjoying in all respects the same privileges and immunities as are now or may hereafter be granted." &c. The point in dispute therefore is what "locality" was set apart at Amoy for this purpose? If it be contended that it was merely the island of Kulangsu, and the foreign business quarter bordering on the Chinese City, what documentary evidence exists in proof of this restriction, which is not contained in the Treaty of Nanking itself? It is curious that such a question should have arisen after the Treaty has been in operation seventy-three years. Japan herself on one occasion had recourse to The Hague Tribunal to settle a dispute which arose out of the old Treaty-port arrangements in Japan; and it seems to us that the present dispute, if it cannot be settled by the two countries concerned, might be more appropriately referred to The Hague Tribunal than that the Conference to be set up to deal with problems created by the war should be troubled with the question of the revision of the China Treaties.

A FOREIGNER'S MEMORY.

Sentence of one month's imprisonment and four hours' stocks was imposed upon a Chinese for returning from banishment. The man said that he had forgotten the duration of the order. He was banished in 1912 for five years.

## THEFT OF SUGAR BAGS.

An employee at the China Sugar Refinery, a Chinese, was sentenced to twenty-eight days' hard labour for the theft of four sugar bags. The man was seen leaving the factory with the bags tied around him, and when questioned he said that he had merely taken the bags to keep himself warm. He had no intention of stealing them.

## AN EXPENSIVE LESSON.

A building contractor, who has been before the Court on several occasions in connection with offences under the Building Ordinance, was charged with erecting a new story on top of an old one, without the permission of the Public Works Department.

It was stated that the Public Works authorities would be satisfied with a nominal fine as the expense incurred in erecting the new storey (which would have to be pulled down) had cost the defendant a sum of \$4,000. Mr. Wood, in imposing a fine of \$1, said that the defendant had been taught a lesson.

Mr. Ho Fook has presented \$1,000 in War Loan Bonds to the Council of St. Stephen's Girls' College for the foundation of a scholarship in the College to be named after his wife.

## THE CHINESE QUARTER-MASTER OF THE LOK SANG.

He has reported to the Police that about 7 p.m., on the 4th inst. he was walking in Third Street when he met three men, who were known to him. They were in the course of a conversation when one of the three men suddenly caught hold of him, placed his hand over his mouth, while, at the same time, the other men went through his pockets and got away with \$50.

## SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

Mr. Ho Kom Tong will distribute the prizes at the Saiyungpun School on the 13th inst.

The Hon. Mr. Claud Gervin, M.A., is to distribute the prizes at the Ellis Kadoorie School on the 13th inst.

The death is announced in the Japan papers of the Rev. J. L. Dearing D.D., a well known resident of Yokohama. He died at Hamilton, New York.

## QUEEN'S COLLEGE.

## SEVEN NEW SCHOLARSHIPS.

The Yellow Dragon, the Queen's College magazine, states that the College has benefitted, owing to the munificence of her Old Boys, to the extent of seven new scholarships. Five of these were given jointly by Messrs. Ho Wing, Ho In and Ho Kwong, while the other two were given by Mr. Lee Hy-san. The donors have also kindly asked that their benefactions be retrospective, that is, based on the results of the July Examination. This is an added kindness.

The list of the new Scholarships is as follows:—

Ho Wing Scholarship.—Open to Class 5. Value \$25 per annum for two years. Present holder: To Wing.

Ho In Scholarship.—Open to Class 6. Value \$25 a year for two years. Present holder: Ng Lu-chung.

Ho Kwong Scholarship.—Open to Class 6. Value \$25 a year for two years. Present holder: Wong Hong-kwok.

Dealy Scholarship.—Open to Class 6. Value \$25 a year for two years. Present holder: Tong Hon-ki.

Elphs Scholarship.—Open to Class 6. Value \$25 a year for two years. Present holder: U. Sun-pui.

The above five scholarships are the gifts of Messrs. Ho Wing, Ho In and Ho Kwong.

Lee Hy-san Scholarship.—Open to Class 2. Value \$50 a year for highest marks in the Annual Examination in Arithmetic, Composition and Literature. Present holder: Lam Wai-poo.

Grant Scholarship.—Open to Class 5. Value \$50 a year for one year. Present holder: Wei Tat.

The last two scholarships are the gifts of Mr. Lee Hy-san.

## THE MAGISTRACY.

## INCORRECT SCALES.

A marine delicacy dealer, of Wing Lok Street, was fined \$5 for having scales which were two and a half per cent. against the purchaser.

For being in possession of scales which were four per cent. against the purchaser a tobacco-dealer of Des Vaux Road was fined \$10.

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## OPIUM SMUGGLING.

For being in possession of 32 tael of prepared opium at the Kowloon railway station a Chinese was fined \$2,000 by Mr. Wood. The alternative was six months' imprisonment.

## VALUABLE GIFT TO WASEDA UNIVERSITY.

The Hon. Mrs. E. A. Gordon, who has been in Japan over ten years studying Buddhism, left recently on her way back to London. She is the widow of the late Mr. E. G. Gordon, a former Adviser to the Chinese Government who was a noted student of the ancient civilization of China. The Hon. Mrs. Gordon, says the Japan Mail, was also greatly interested in the study of Oriental countries and Buddhism, and it was her belief that Christianity and Buddhism are both built upon the same foundation. To continue her study of Buddhism she came to Japan over ten years ago leaving her three children in England, and during her stay here she has visited almost all the famous temples of Japan and has collected material to prove her theory, historically and geographically. She was specially interested in pictures of Buddha, and she copied many famous pictures and photographed others.

One of her works, "Lotus Gospel," tells minutely her theory of the origin of Christianity and Buddhism.

Before leaving Japan she decided to contribute her collection of books on Buddhism to Waseda University, to which institution she presented three hundred volumes some years ago. The Gordon collection handed over to the University consists of 1,400 books in foreign languages and two hundred in Japanese and Chinese, also 400 pictures and 200 photographs of Buddha. It is reported that Waseda University will hold early in February an exhibition of the Gordon collection.

Before leaving the country the Hon. Mrs. Gordon was presented with a gold medal by Marquis Okuma in recognition of the valuable research work she has undertaken during her stay here, and a warm letter of thanks from Count Terauchi, who was deeply interested in her religious studies in China, during the time of his occupancy of the governor-generalship of Korea.

## THE RAUB OUTPUT.

Messrs. Moron and Taylor inform us that the Raub Output for the past 4 weeks was as follows:—

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From the Nippon Yusen Kaisha we have received a pocket notebook which includes a calendar for 1917 and a few pages of information regarding the company's fleet, branches and agencies &c. a picture of the imposing head office of the company in Tokyo and another of one of the company's fleet ships. We note that the company now has a fleet of 101 vessels, having an aggregate tonnage of 470,000. Its capital is Yen 44,000,000 and its reserves equal the amount of the capital.

## COMPANY MEETING.

## GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Green Island Cement Co., Ltd., was held at the offices of Messrs. Shaw, Tones & Co., at noon to-day. Mr. C. E. Anton presided, and those also present were the Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Father Robert, and Mr. A. O. Lang (Directors), and Messrs. R. Shewan, J. A. Young, J. M. Gordon, M. A. Figueiredo, and W. Lamont, with the Secretary, Mr. R. Henderson.

The SECRETARY read the notice convening the meeting.

The CHAIRMAN, in proposing the two special resolutions, said:—This meeting is of a purely formal character. It is simply to confirm the resolutions passed at the extraordinary general meeting held on December 13th. At that meeting I explained, as far as possible, the reasons why it was very desirable to make a refund of capital to shareholders. In view of the remarks I then made I do not think I can say anything more. I, therefore, propose the first resolution as follows:—

"That the capital of the Company be reduced from \$4,000,000 (Four Million Dollars) divided into 400,000 (Four Hundred Thousand) Shares of \$10 (Ten Dollars) each, to \$3,000,000 (Three Million Dollars) divided into 400,000 (Four Hundred Thousand) Shares of \$7.50 (Seven Dollars and Fifty Cents) each, and that such reduction be effected by returning (on such data as the Company's Board of Directors shall appoint) to the holders of the 400,000 (Four Hundred Thousand) Shares that have been issued paid up capital to the extent of \$2.50 (Two Dollars and Fifty Cents) per Share and by reducing the nominal amount of each of the said Shares from \$10 (Ten Dollars) to \$7.50 (Seven Dollars and Fifty Cents)."

Mr. SHEWAN seconded, and the resolution was passed unanimously.

The CHAIRMAN then proposed the second resolution as follows:—

"That application be made to the Supreme Court of Hongkong to confirm the reduction of the capital of the Company in conformity with the foregoing Resolution."

Mr. YOUNG seconded, and this resolution was also unanimously confirmed.

This was all the business.

## MONROE DOCTRINE UP-TO-DATE.

## A SUGGESTION WITH REGARD TO THE PHILIPPINES.

In absorption in our own unparalleled war it would be a mistake not to have some regard to the possible wars of the immediate future, remarks the London Daily Chronicle which goes on to say: "Mr. Charles H. Sherrill, who was for several years the United States Minister to Argentina, and is now Chairman of the Committee on Foreign Relations of the Chambers of Commerce of the United States, in the course of a remarkable book which he has written, 'Modernising the Monroe Doctrine,' frankly recognises the danger of a war between Japan and the United States owing to the position of the latter Power in the Philippines and the general assumption that it is the protector and 'fair god-father' of China. How to convince Japan that the Monroe Doctrine means 'stay at home and mind your own business' for the United States as well as for intruders on the Western Hemisphere? And at the same time drive a good bargain for the United States? By one deal, says Mr. Sherrill, in effect, the United States could eliminate European influence from the control of the Panama Canal, secure the independence of the European colonies in America south of the United States frontier, and remove all danger of the apprehended war with Japan."

"Let us," he says, "give the Philippines to Denmark, Holland, France, and England, in exchange for their colonies in our hemisphere, which we should then dispose of in their own interests, and in exchange also for the annulment of the Hay-Pauncefote Treaty, which authorises England to interfere in the administration of our Canal." The European Powers, dispossessed of their West Indian Islands and South American Colonies, are to be left in the Philippines to settle their own conducting claims and the suspicions of Japan, and the Monroe Doctrine, expurgated and purified, is to stand forth a safer guarantee than ever of the peace of the American Continent. The proposal is interesting and picturesque, but it is not likely to be put forward by a statesman in office. At the same time it will be noted in this country as a straw which indicates the stream of American discussion.

## CHINESE AFFAIRS.

## (Wah Tse Yat Po's Service.)

## THE CUSTOMS REVENUE.

## INCREASE OF A MILLION TAELS.

PEKING, Jan. 4.

The Maritime Customs revenue for 1916 amounted to Hk. Taels \$7,750,000, showing an increase of a million taels over that for 1915.

## A PAYMENT TO SUN YAT SEN.

PEKING, Jan. 4.

The Bank of China has actually remitted six lakhs of dollars to Sun Yat Sen. The Speaker of both Houses of Parliament, on hearing this, interviewed the President who said that he and the Premier had no knowledge of it, but the Minister of Finance, on being asked, replied that he himself would accept the whole responsibility.

## A SINISTER CONFERENCE.

PEKING, Jan. 4.

On information that a second conference of Provincial High Officials will be held at Chuchow, the President has asked the Vice-President to try his utmost to stop it.

## UNEASINESS IN CHEKIANG.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 4.

Owing to the unsettled political situation in the province of Chekiang, the authorities of the provinces of Fukien and Kiangsi are taking precautionary measures, while Yang Sin Tak, the newly-appointed General of Chekiang, has concentrated 10,000 troops at Ningnam Arsenal ready to proceed to Hangchow if necessary to restore order. It is believed, however, that with Fung Kwok Cheong, the Vice-President, near at hand no serious development will occur.

## TROOPS READY FOR EMERGENCIES.

SHANGHAI, Jan. 4.

The Chekiang military have wired to the Government to appoint Chau Chun Kwai as General, instead of Yang Sin Tak, but the Government strongly objected.

Yang Sin Tak has requested permission to take the 4th Division to Chekiang with him. This request will probably be granted.

The Chekiang members of Parliament have had a meeting and decided to ask the Government not to allow Northern troops to enter Chekiang, but this request proved unsuccessful.

## BEARING UPON THIS SUBJECT WE NOTE IN THE "N. C. DAILY NEWS" A PARAGRAPH HEADED "MYSTICISM BUSINESS AT HANGCHOW" WHICH RELATES TO THE COMMANDER-IN-CHIEF OF A TRAIN BY SOLDIERS. FOREIGNERS WHO INTENDED TRAVELLING ON THE LINE WERE ADVISED TO POSTPONE THEIR JOURNEY. IT WAS PRESUMED THAT THE SEIZURE OF THE TRAIN WAS A MOVE TAKEN BY THE MILITARY AT HANGCHOW IN ANTICIPATION OF POSSIBLE TROUBLE FOLLOWING THE STRIKE OF THE POLICE AT HANGCHOW AND THE RESIGNATION OF CERTAIN MILITARY OFFICIALS, GROWING OUT OF THE APPOINTMENT OF A NEW POLICE CHIEF FOR CHEKIANG PROVINCE.

The seized train was a local passenger running between Hangchow and Kaohing and yesterday (says our Shanghai contemporary of the 1st inst.) it was still being detained by the soldiers at the military station of Shien-chiao, just outside Hangchow, where the Hangchow forces are. Another train was made up to take its place within a few hours and there has been no interruption of traffic otherwise, through trains having arrived from Hangchow yesterday as usual. A delegate, despatched from Peking to endeavour to smooth over the local political rupture at Hangchow, is reported to have arrived there, and it is thought that the trouble, which is purely local, has subsided.

The origin of the quarrel at present remains obscure, but from a lengthy vilification of Lu-Kung-wang distributed broadcast in Hangchow in the form of a leaflet, there would appear to be a strong popular feeling against the Tsuchi, and it is possible that the train was seized by his orders as a precaution in case of rioting.

## STRAIGHT AT IT.

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## SPORTING.

## CRICKET.

## K.O.C. TEAM v. UNIVERSITY.

The following will represent the K.O.C. against University on Saturday, at 2.15 p.m., at King's Park:—

K.O.C. Team.—J. P. Robinson, J. V. Draga, B. D. Evans, W. H. Stapleton, Lieut. E. H. Gray, K. Macaskill, A. O. Brown, W. Kay, F. W. Wood, J. H. Mead, and K. McEneaney.

The following will represent the University:—Ng Sze Kwong, K. Brayshaw, G. E. Marley, J. D. Wright, A. H. Bunnah, D. P. Dixon, A. de Sousa, Chow Yat Cheong, W. Hall, W. Gittens, and G. Hall.

## FOREST VANDALISM IN CHINA.

Mr. Frank N. Meyer, Agricultural Explorer of the Department of Agriculture, United States of America, contributes to the Peking Gazette the following article:—

Are the people at large aware that what is one of the last bits of beautiful virgin forest still left in North China, is being rapidly exterminated to-day?

This is what is taking place at this very moment in the Shing-lung-shan district, a region 5 days' travel away from Peking to the N.E. above the Tung Ling between Malanpu and Jehol.

On a trip just made I saw scenes of such ruthless destruction of a priceless forest that made one asked whether the Chinese will ever begin to learn that forests are not the enemies of mankind, but—if properly managed—the most invaluable friends.

The district in question is the property of the ex-Imperial Family and the land is being thrown open to settlement; but—and here is the strange thing—on account of the tombs of the dead ones of the Imperial Family being fifty and more miles further South, no lumber cut is allowed to leave the district. Everything has to be either burned on the spot or consumed locally, for it is believed that should lumber or firewood be carried away, it would disturb the peace of the spirit of the Imperial dead! That such a case of senseless "Feng Shui" should still be in evidence in this year 1916 and within a hundred miles from Peking city is certainly remarkable.

However, if it were only a bit of firewood that is being destroyed, one could overlook such a sentiment. But the lumber that is now being ruthlessly burned in that district represents a value of thousands of tael according to my very conservative estimate.

It really is ghastly to see oak trees being burned which are from two to three centuries old and the trunks of which contain—in each of them—enough wood to supply twenty to thirty railroads and sleepers, valued at \$100,000.

Trunks of Manchurian wild walnuts are given over to the flames that are invaluable for rifle-butts, for furniture and for many other purposes. Some of these trunks are worth fifty taels and over. Black-barked birches, enormous size; splendid hard-wooded elm, fine wild pears, enormous poplars, beautiful lindens, they all go—besides large numbers of maples, cork-trees, (Phellodendron amurense) tree-lilacs, hornbeams, and a host of smaller things.

At present the bases of the numerous valleys and the bases of the mountains are mainly cleared; but with the reckless burning of the trees cut down, the flames often escape and the fire leaps over to the mountain sides covered with dry leaves and other highly inflammable material. During the winter when the Shing-lung-shan district large forest fires were in evidence in many places. The flames crawled over the mountains like huge fire dragons, devouring everything in their path of destruction.

It will be only a few more years and this glorious wild district will be like the rest of Northern China—stony and barren mountains and broad, pebbly and sandy riverbeds, and large areas of land will be turned into wastes.

Ex-President Theodore Roosevelt was right in telling the people of America in his message to Congress in 1904 that, as regards deforestation, China can teach the world how not to do things.







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All Crown Sergeants and Sergeants of Classes I, II, and IV will attend at Headquarters Club for examination at 6.30 p.m. on the following dates:—  
Monday, Jan. 8th.—Class I (Chief Inspector Kerr).  
Wednesday, Jan. 10th.—Class II (Inspector Gordon).  
Friday, Jan. 12th.—Class IV (Inspector P. O'Sullivan).

NO. 2 COMPANY AND BAND.  
Will parade at Queen's Statue, Chater Road, at 5.15 p.m. sharp on Tuesday, January 9th. Uniform, Caps, Bikes. The Band will attend. The O.C. Company will take charge. No exemption are to be granted by the Company Officers.

SPORTS NIGHT, JAN. 6TH.  
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The tide-table given below has been compiled at the National Almanac Office in London from the result of the analysis of observations taken by means of an automatic tide-recording machine in the Water Police Basin at Tsim Sha Tsui during the years 1887-8-9.

The zero of the table corresponds with the zero of the sounding in the Admiralty Chart, which has been found to be 4 feet 3 inches below mean sea level.

To obtain the depth of water on the tide gauge at the Victoria Naval Yard add 3 feet 4 inches, and on the gauge at Lamont Dock, Aberdeen, add 10 feet 4 inches to the height given in the table.

January 6th to 12th, 1917.

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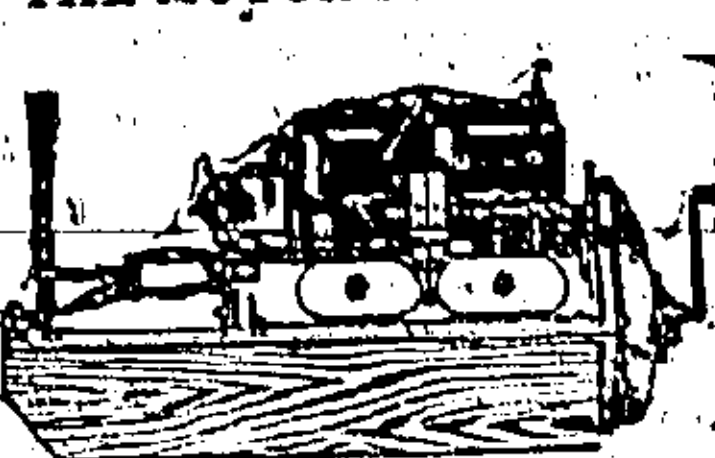
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## WEATHER REPORT.

On the 5th at 11.15—No returns from Japan. Pressure has increased slightly in all other districts, except over Borneo where it has decreased slightly.

An intense anticyclone remains stationary over China.

Strong monsoon will continue along the east coast of China, and over the China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.00 inch. Total since January 1st, 0.01 inches, against an average of 0.12 inches.

Forecast for the 24 hours ending at noon on the 6th January—

1.—Hongkong to Cap Rock: N. to N.E. winds, strong; overcast, drizzling rain at times.

2.—Formosa Channel: N.E. gale.

3.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Lamcocks: The same as No. 1.

4.—South coast of China between Hongkong and Hainan: The same as No. 1.

OFFICIAL NIGHTS IN JANUARY.

The following table shows the Standard Time at which Official Night ends and begins during the month of January, 1917:—

Date. Ends. Begins.

Jan. 5th. 6.53 a.m. 6.06 p.m.

6th. 6.53 " 6.07 "

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31st. 6.51 " 6.23 "

ROYAL OBSERVATORY, HONGKONG, DAILY WEATHER REPORT.

JANUARY 5, 1917.—a.m.

Station. Hour. Humidity. Direction. Force. Weather.

W. Stockton. 6.1. 100. 100. 100. 100. 100.

Manila. 6.1. 100. 100. 100. 100. 100.

Yokohama. 6.1. 100. 100. 100. 100. 100.

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